

COUNTRY East Germany

REPORT NO.

TOPIC Military Information from Grimma

25X1 EVALUATION [REDACTED] PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED] 25X1

15 June to 10 July 1953

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REFERENCES [REDACTED]

PAGES 1 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE) [REDACTED]

REMARKS [REDACTED]

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1. Prior to 17 June and after 19 June 1953, the Strassburg Kaserne in Grimma was occupied by a rear detail of about 20 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets. On 17 and 18 June, the installation quartered 2,500 to 3,000 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets; 48 T-43 tanks, and 1 armored personnel carrier. The troops included the known unit from Schwepnitz. During the night of 17 June, 4 searchlights and 4 AA guns were seen just south of the installation.

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2. Prior to 16 June and after 9 July, the Elsner Kaserne was occupied by a rear detail of about 15 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets without branch of service insignia. Between 17 June and 9 July, about 150 troops wearing blue-bordered black epaulets with engineer insignia [REDACTED]

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3. Prior to 10 July, the NAGEMA was occupied by a guard detail of soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets without branch of service insignia. On 10 July,

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Comment [REDACTED]

A previous report indicated that, beginning 19 June, major elements of the division had been transferred from Grimma to Leipzig. The engineer battalion of the division which, according to the present report, was in the Elsner Kaserne between 17 June and 9 July, had been observed on 27 and 28 June by another source, according to the reference report.